NOTICE OF EMERGENCY RULE REPEAL AND PROMULGATION

AGENCY: Department of Marine Resources

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 12 M.R.S.A. Sections 6172 and 6192

RULE REPEAL AND PROMULGATION: DMR Regulation 95.07 O, Closed Area No. 20-E, Northern Robinhood Cove, Southern Robinhood Cove and Knubble Bay, Georgetown/Westport, promulgated July 26, 2000, is repealed and replaced with the following rule:

TEXT OF RULE: DMR Regulation 95.07 O, Closed Area No. 20-E, Northern Robinhood Cove, Southern Robinhood Cove and Knubble Bay, Georgetown / Westport

- 1. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, mussels, quahogs, or oysters taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following three sections of Robinhood Cove and Knubble Bay:
 - A. Northern Robinhood Cove and Knubble Bay, Georgetown, Sagadahoc County, and Westport, Lincoln County enclosed by the following lines: (1) beginning at a red painted post situated on the eastern shore of Robinhood Cove about 1200 yards southwest of Lowe Point, Georgetown, and running true west (about 300 yards) to a red painted post on the western shore of Robinhood Cove, all in Georgetown; (2) a line running from the northernmost tip of Lowe Point in a northeasterly direction to the southernmost point of Newdick Point, Westport; (3) by a straight line extending from the southernmost point of land on the western shore of Thomas Cove at the end of Red Gate Lane (so- called), Westport Island, through the southernmost point of land on Beal Island to a point on the eastern shore of Georgetown Island.
 - B. The Southwest lobe of Robinhood Cove, Georgetown, Sagadahoc County: the area bounded by the following two lines: (1) the northern boundary running along the Route 127 bridge and (2) the southern boundary running from the east end of the bridge in a southwesterly direction to the old stone dam located on the western shore approximately 50 yards south of the Route 127 bridge.
 - C. The Southeast lobe of Robinhood Cove, Georgetown, Sagadahoc County: the area bounded by the following two lines: (1) the northern boundary running along the Route 127 bridge and (2) the southern boundary a line across the southern end of the so-called "Narrows" beginning at a red post on the eastern shore located approximately 400 yards south of the Route 127 bridge thence running due west to the opposite shore.

Violation of any provision of this regulation shall be a Class D Crime (12 M.R.S.A. Section 6204).

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 7, 2000

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STATEMENT OF FACT AND POLICY

The Commissioner of the Maine Department of Marine Resources repeals the emergency DMR Regulation 95.07 O, Closed Area No. 20-E, Northern Robinhood Cove, Southern Robinhood Cove and Knubble Bay, Georgetown/Westport, promulgated on July 26, 2000, and replaces it with a new regulation. This new regulation reopens the three shellfish areas in Robinhood Cove following an oil and fuel spill. DMR personnel have sampled and analyzed clam samples and have determined that the shellfish are safe for human consumption. The remaining closed areas are subject to intermittent biological contamination.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER



Maine Department of Marine Resources

Legal Notice of Shellfish Closure Area For: Georgetown Westport

C20E- Robinhood Cove & Knubble Bay, Georgetown and Westport

